

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

**On page 1, the second full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

This invention relates to a gutter cover system having an improved clips clip for spacing a gutter cover from the outer edge of the gutter to maintain a desired small space between the gutter cover and the outer wall of the gutter.

**On page 1, the third full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

More specifically, this invention relates to ~~an improvement~~ such a system having an improved clip of the type ~~of clip~~ illustrated in Fig. 7 of U.S. Patent 4,455,791. In that patent, a gutter cover has a curled edge that is spaced by a clip from the outer wall of the gutter so that surface tension causes water to follow the curl and cascade into the gutter.

**On page 1, the fifth full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

It is an object of this invention to provide a system having an improved clip that does not tend to become dislodged thereby maintaining the desired spacing between the gutter cover's curl and the outer wall of the gutter.

**On page 1, the sixth full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

It is another object of this invention to provide a system having a gutter-cover clip for gutters that do not have inwardly turned lips such as those illustrated in Fig. 7 of the '791 patent.

**On page 2, the first full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

It is another object of the invention to provide such a system having a gutter-cover clip that does not require screws or the like to hold it in place.

**On page 2, the second full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

The ~~clip~~ system of the invention includes a clip which spaces the outer wall of the gutter from the gutter cover's curl and includes, as a portion thereof, an improved means for affixing the clip to the gutter. In this respect, the affixing member is removably affixable so that the location and placement of the clip may be changed if desired. Moreover, the affixing member is adapted to accommodate gutter walls having a variety of shapes and thicknesses.